



The Commonwealth Forestry Association

Young Forester Award 2012

Outline of the Award

The Commonwealth Forestry Association is committed to supporting the professional development of young foresters. It does this in several ways; through the involvement of young people on the Governing Council of the CFA, the establishment of the Young Scientist Publication Award, assistance with writing scientific papers, publication of news and information in the CFA newsletter of relevance to young foresters, and through the **Young Forester Award**.

The **Young Forester Award** is designed to support the professional development of foresters below 35 years of age through the provision of a short-term work placement in a country other than their own and consists of a designated placement combined with a bursary of between £1000 and £1500 to cover a stay of between three- and six-months (depending on the placement selected) with established and renowned forestry organisations in order to meet their professional interest. The hosts might be a major timber company, a research organisation or an NGO but they all share the desire to support the development of the next generation of foresters.

The Young Forester Award 2012

The CFA is pleased to announce the launch of the **Young Forester Award 2012**.

Applications for the **Young Forester Award** are invited from students and young professionals below the age of 35 years on 30 June 2012 who are nationals of Commonwealth countries. Please note that as part of the CFA's continuing support to Small Island Developing States (SIDS), for the 2012 Young Forester Award we particularly encourage applications from foresters from SIDS within the Commonwealth. In addition we encourage applications from women, those with disabilities, and nationals of developing countries.

Anyone who wishes to apply for the **Young Forester Award** should complete the Application Form (download at www.cfa-international.org). The Selection Committee will discuss placement options with short-listed applicants who will then be asked to write up to 500 words on what they want to achieve on the placement. Applications should be sent via email to cfa@cfa-international.org

The closing date for applications is 30th April 2012.

PLEASE NOTE: The Young Forester Award is restricted to CFA members (applicants must have taken out an individual membership to qualify for application, i.e. membership via subscribing organisations or national forestry associations does not entitle application for the YFA).